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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-18 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 4-7, 10-13 and 1-18 are rejected.

Claims 2, 3, 8, 9, 14 and 15 are objected to for being dependent on a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten into independent form.

In response, Applicants cancel claims 1, 4-7, 10-13 and 1-18 and amend claims 2, 3, 8, 9, 14 and 15 to rewrite them into independent form.

The claims are now in the condition that the Office Action indicates are allowable.

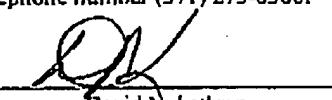
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